

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	Larry Allen Wares	Examiner:	Romain Jeanty
Serial No.:	09/771,142	Group Art Unit:	3623
Filed:	January 26, 2001	Docket:	G&C 30566.221-US-U1
Title:	E-COMMERCE BID AND PROJECT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY		

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114**

MAIL STOP RCE

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of patent application Serial No. 09/771,142, filed on January 26, 2001, and entitled E-COMMERCE BID AND PROJECT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY, in which no payment of the issue fee, abandonment of, or termination of proceedings has occurred.

- ☒ An amendment under 37 CFR § 1.114 is attached. (Claims added by this amendment have been properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered original claim in the prior application.)
- ☒ A Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for 3 months is attached.
- ☒ Charge the Extension Fee in the amount of \$1,020.00 to the Deposit Account.
- ☒ The fee has been calculated as shown below in the "Claims as Filed" table.

**CLAIMS PRESENT**

Claims Remaining:		Highest Number Previously Paid For:		Number Extra		Rate		Fee
<b>Basic Filing Fee (Basic national fee + Examination fee + Search fee)</b>								\$790.00
<b>Total Claims</b>								
10		34		0	x	\$50.00	=	\$0.00
<b>Independent Claims</b>								
4		6		0	x	\$200.00	=	\$0.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM FEE								\$0.00
TOTAL FILING FEE								\$790.00

- ☒ A charge to the Deposit Account identified below in the amount of \$790.00 to cover the RCE Filing Fees.
- ☒ Additional Attachments: Declaration Under 37 C.F.R. 1.131 and Attachments

☒ Address all future communications to the **Attention of George H. Gates** at **Gates & Cooper LLP**,  
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**Please consider this a PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME for a sufficient number of months to enter these papers, if appropriate.**

**Please charge all fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0494 of Gates & Cooper LLP.**

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